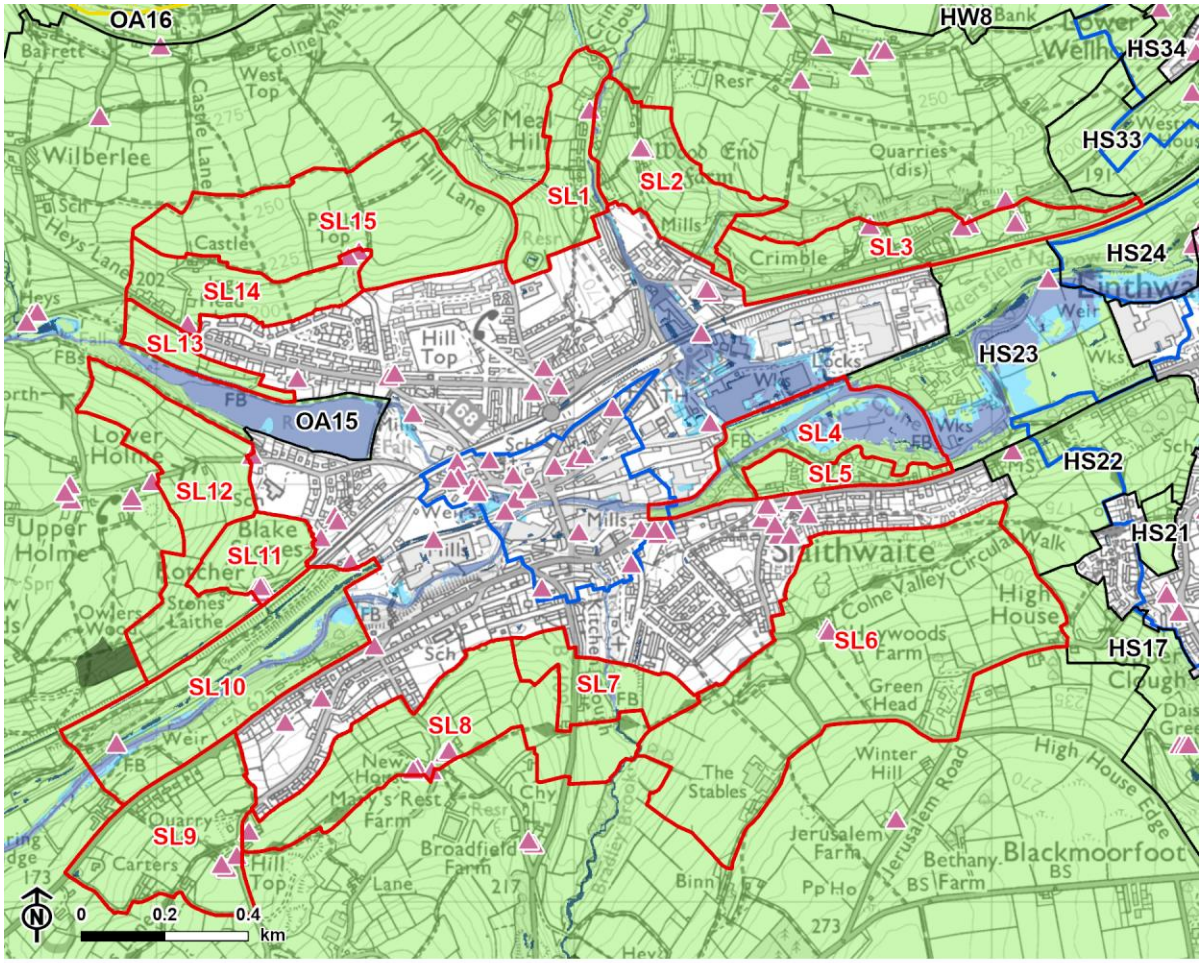
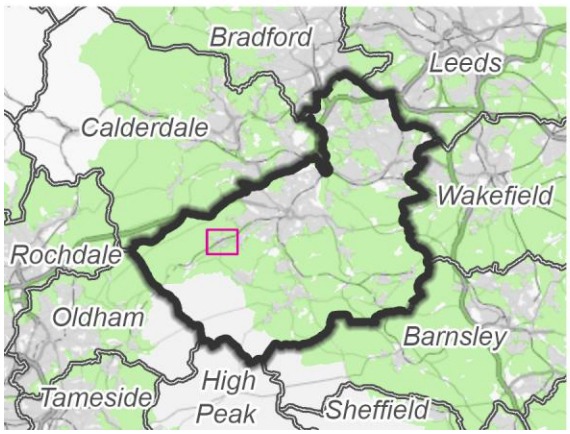
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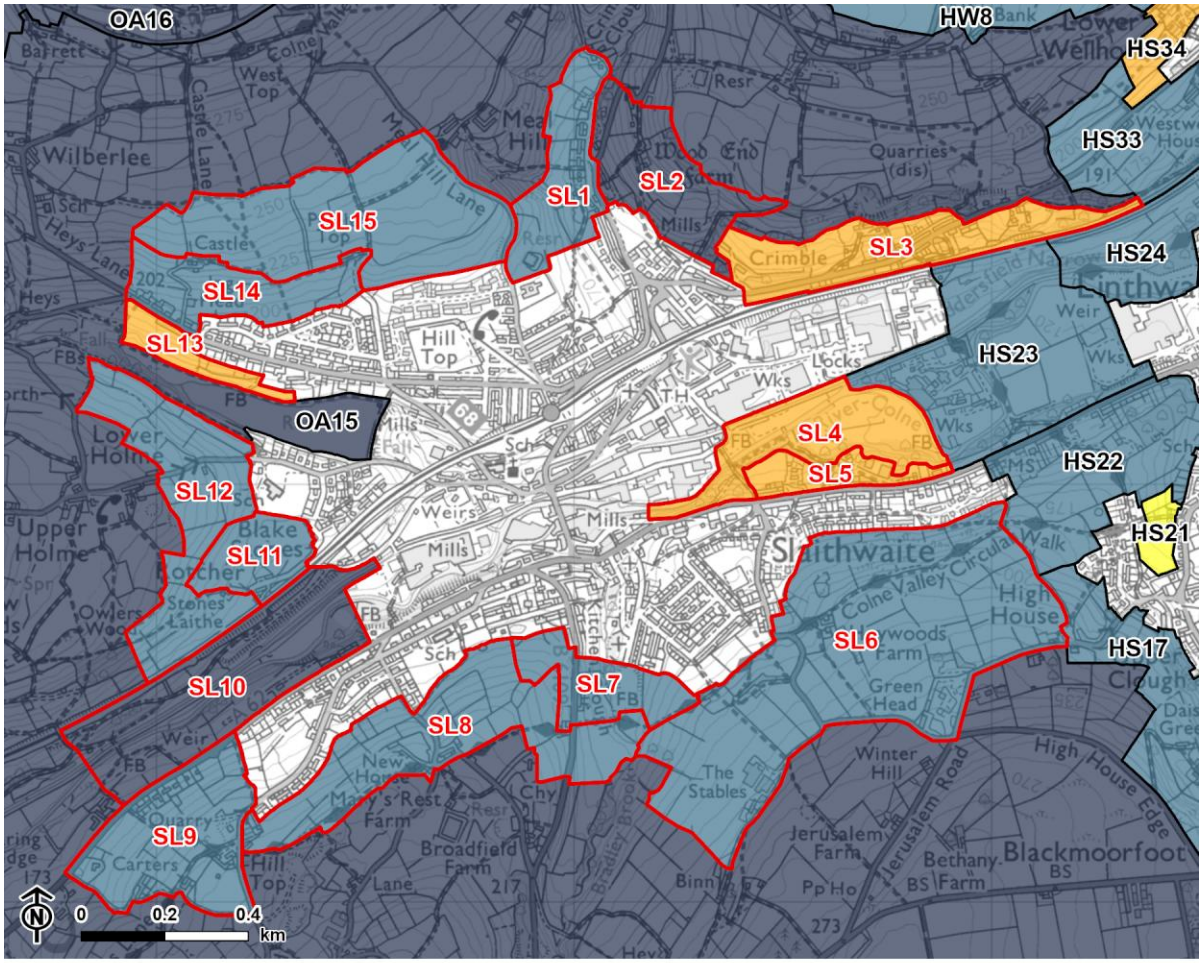
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NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
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- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area



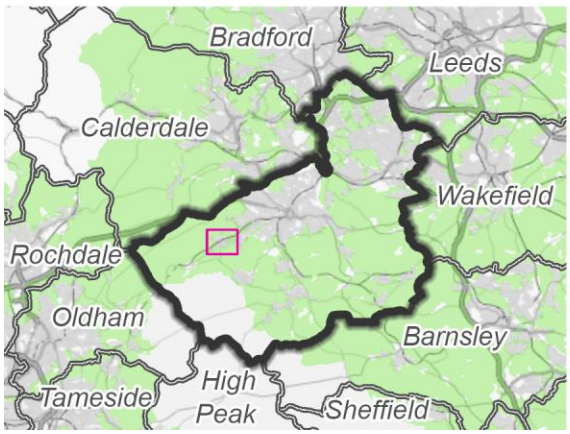
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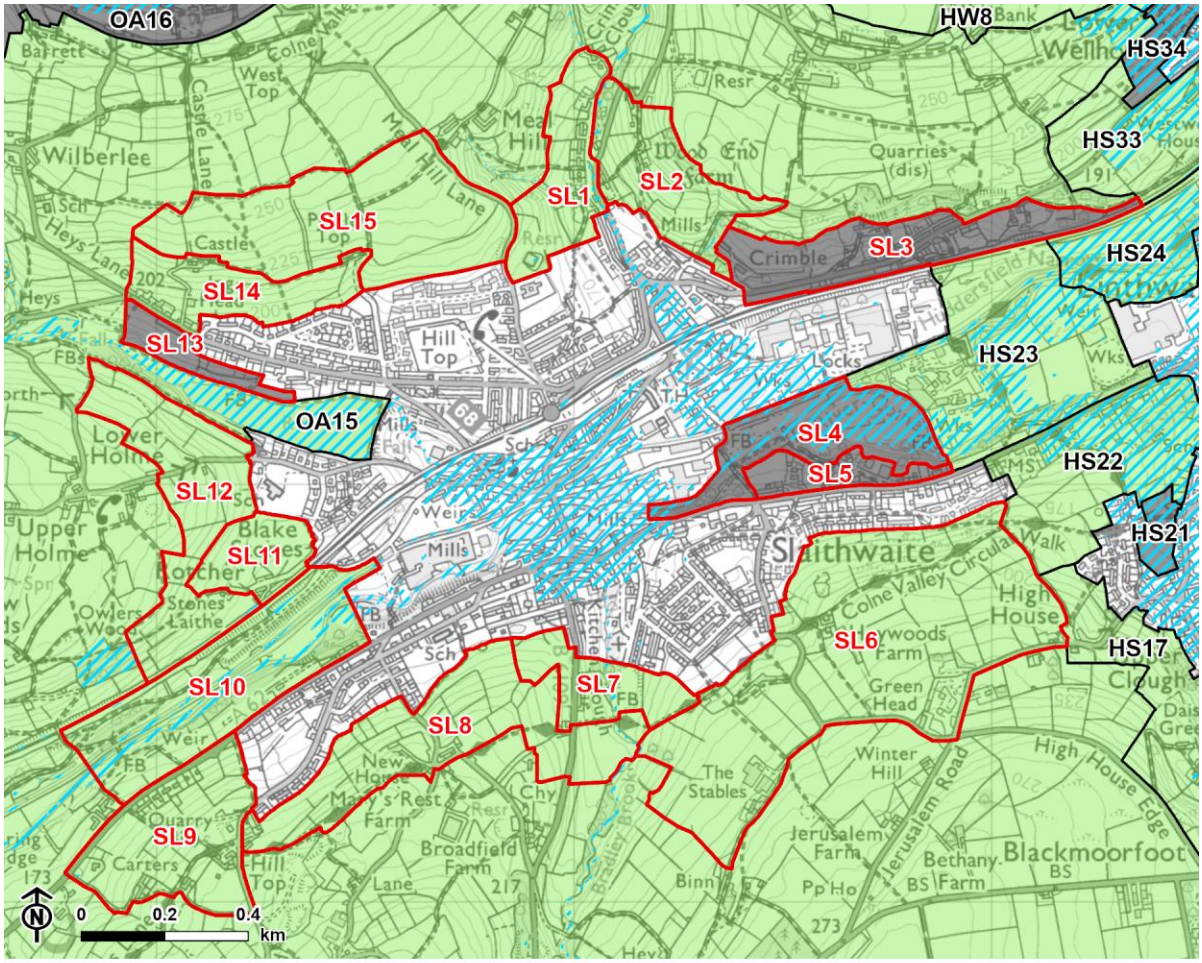
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Highest Contribution to NPPF purposes A, B, C and D

- Very Strong
- Strong
- Moderate
- Weak/no



Slaithwaite



Slaithwaite parcel

Neighbouring parcel

Kirklees

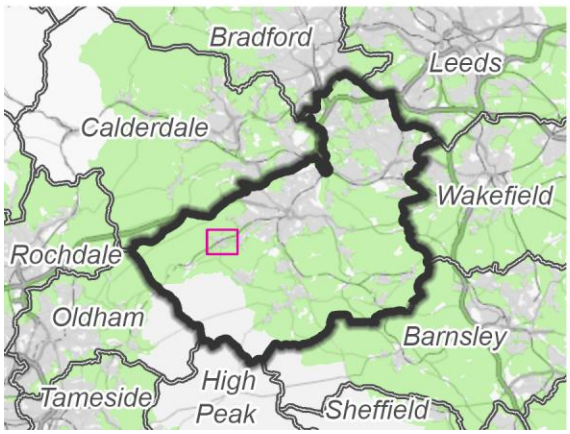
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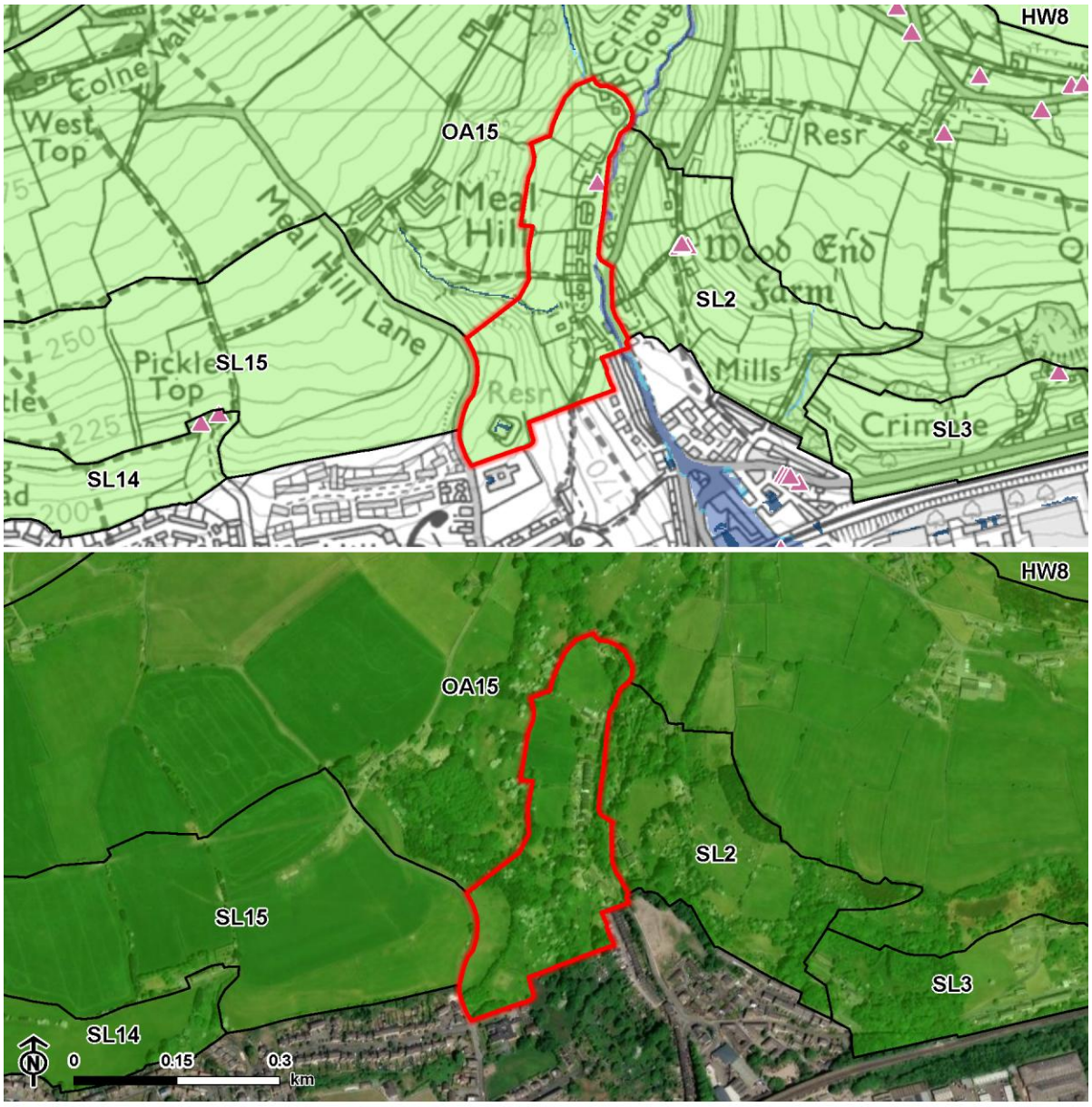
Potential grey belt

Potentially suitable for definition as grey belt land in the district

Footnote 7 designation



Parcel SL1



NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Peaty soil
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding

Contribution of land in Parcel SL1

Parcel SL1 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL1 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the north of Slaithwaite. It includes residential properties along Brook Side and Rock Lane to the east of the parcel. Wooded slopes form the outer boundary to the west, while Clough Road and steep slopes form the outer boundary to the east. Parcel size: 7ha. A combination of features forms a boundary of moderate strength between the settlement and the parcel. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is a weak perception of urban development outside of the parcel. Existing development in the Green Belt has some urbanising influence. Natural features limit perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the slope and wooded areas which currently give the

Parcel SL1

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Moderate boundary features and landform change between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land.

Parcel SL1

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	Although Meal Hill with its associated tree cover establish a strong outer boundary, these features would not prevent development in the parcel from increasing the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

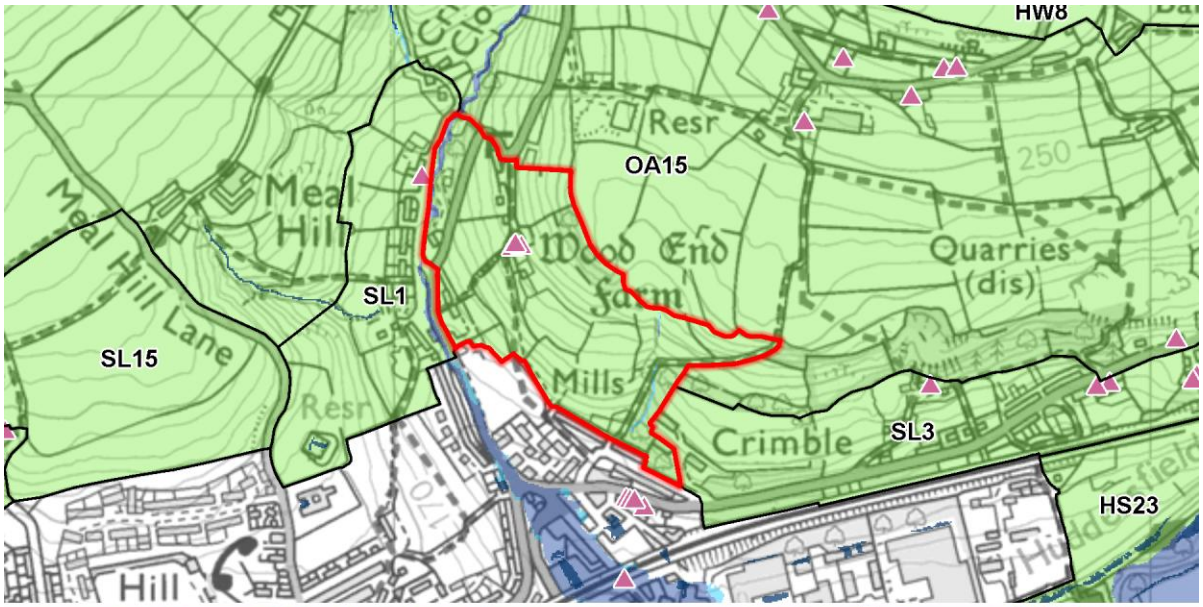
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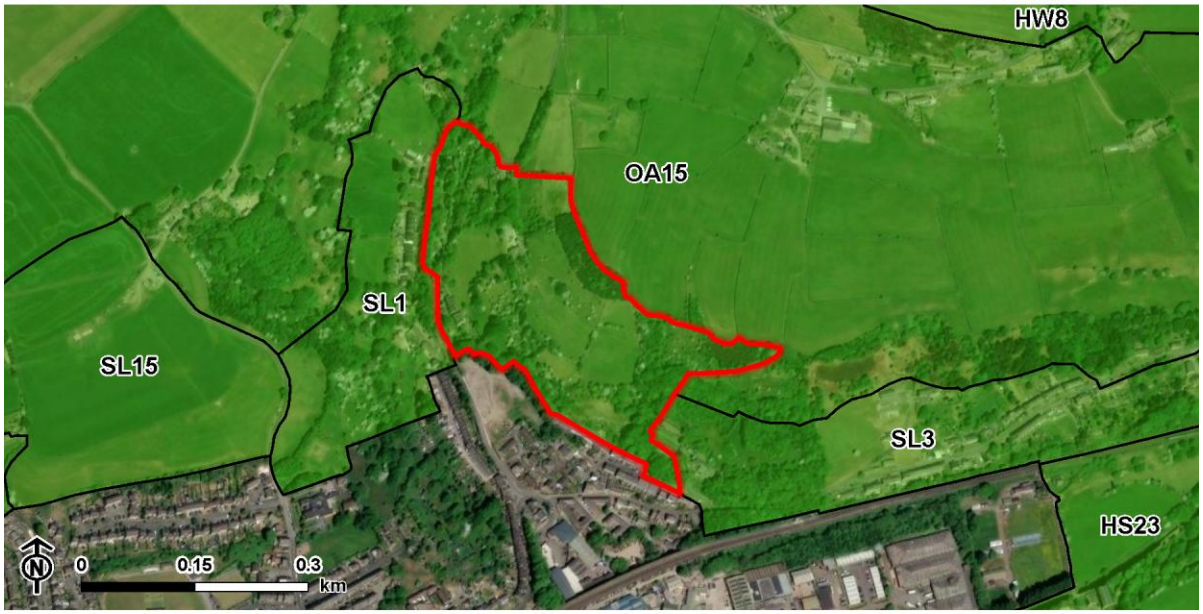
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL2





Parcel SL2 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 2
- Flood zone 3
- High risk of surface water flooding

Parcel SL2

Contribution of land in Parcel SL2

Parcel SL2 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Very Strong	Weak/No	Very Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL2 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located on the north of Slaithwaite. It includes fields associated with Wood End Farm as well as numerous woodland patches and Clough Road. The outer boundary to the north is formed by a change in landform and wooded areas. Parcel size: 9ha. There is a strong boundary feature between the settlement and the parcel. There is a significant change in landform which creates a clear sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is a weak perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. Natural features limit perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Very Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is adjacent to a large built-up area. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the wooded areas and the landform change which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences.

Parcel SL2

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Boundary features and landform change between the parcel and the edge of Slaithwaite means that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from urban development, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Very Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. Although wooded areas and the change of landform would reduce this influence slightly, development

Parcel SL2

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land to the east and west.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

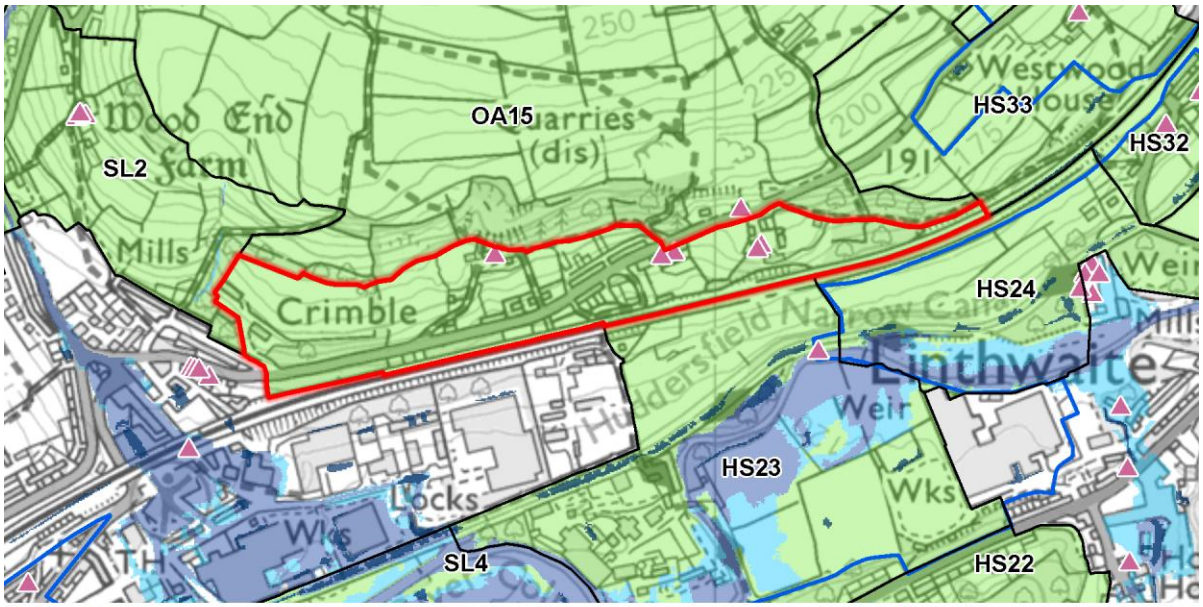
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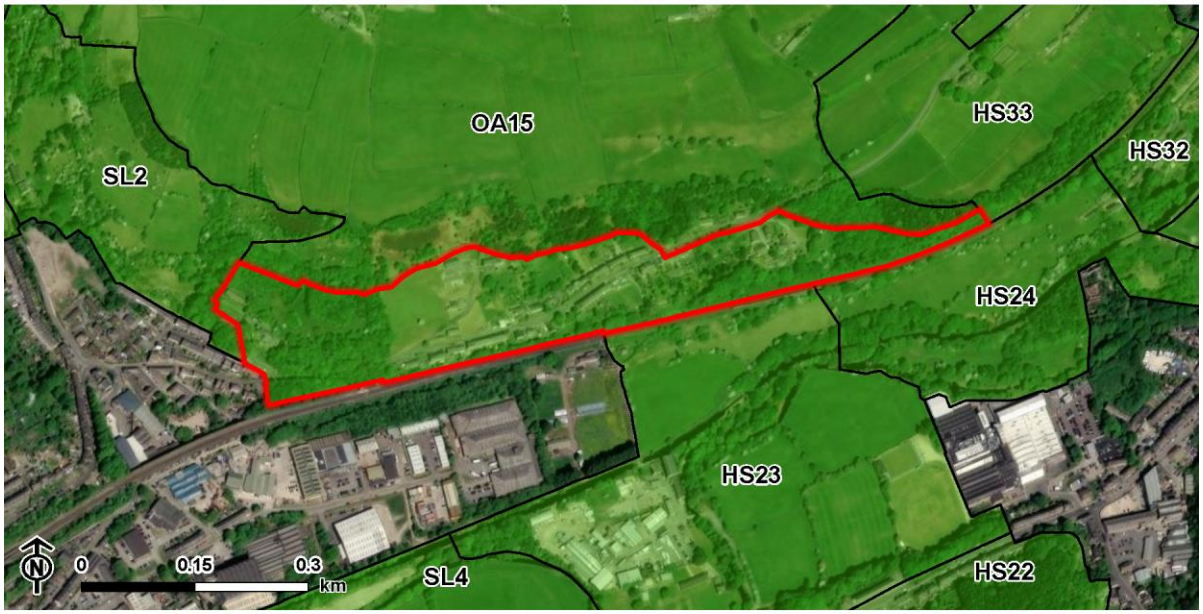
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a very strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL3





Parcel SL3 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL3

Contribution of land in Parcel SL3

Parcel SL3 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Moderate	Weak/No	Moderate	Weak/No	Equal	Yes

Parcel SL3 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the north-east of Slaithwaite. It includes tree-covered fields as well as residential properties along Radcliffe Road. The outer boundary to the north is formed by the steep and wooded ridgeline. Parcel size: 10ha. The railway line establishes a strong boundary feature between the settlement and the parcel to the south, becoming weaker in the west. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. Existing development in the Green Belt has some urbanising influence. There is some perception of connectivity with the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is near to a large built-up area. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development. The wooded ridgeline to the north and east of the parcel forms a strong outer boundary which would limit the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Parcel SL3

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would not have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The parcel is subject to some urbanising influence and has features that would restrict and contain development, preventing any incongruous impact on the wider countryside.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it. Although the residential development within the parcel limits openness, the contribution of the remaining open areas are considered to play a role in forming part of the countryside.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL3

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would not significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel contains strong outer boundary features, so development within the parcel would not increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

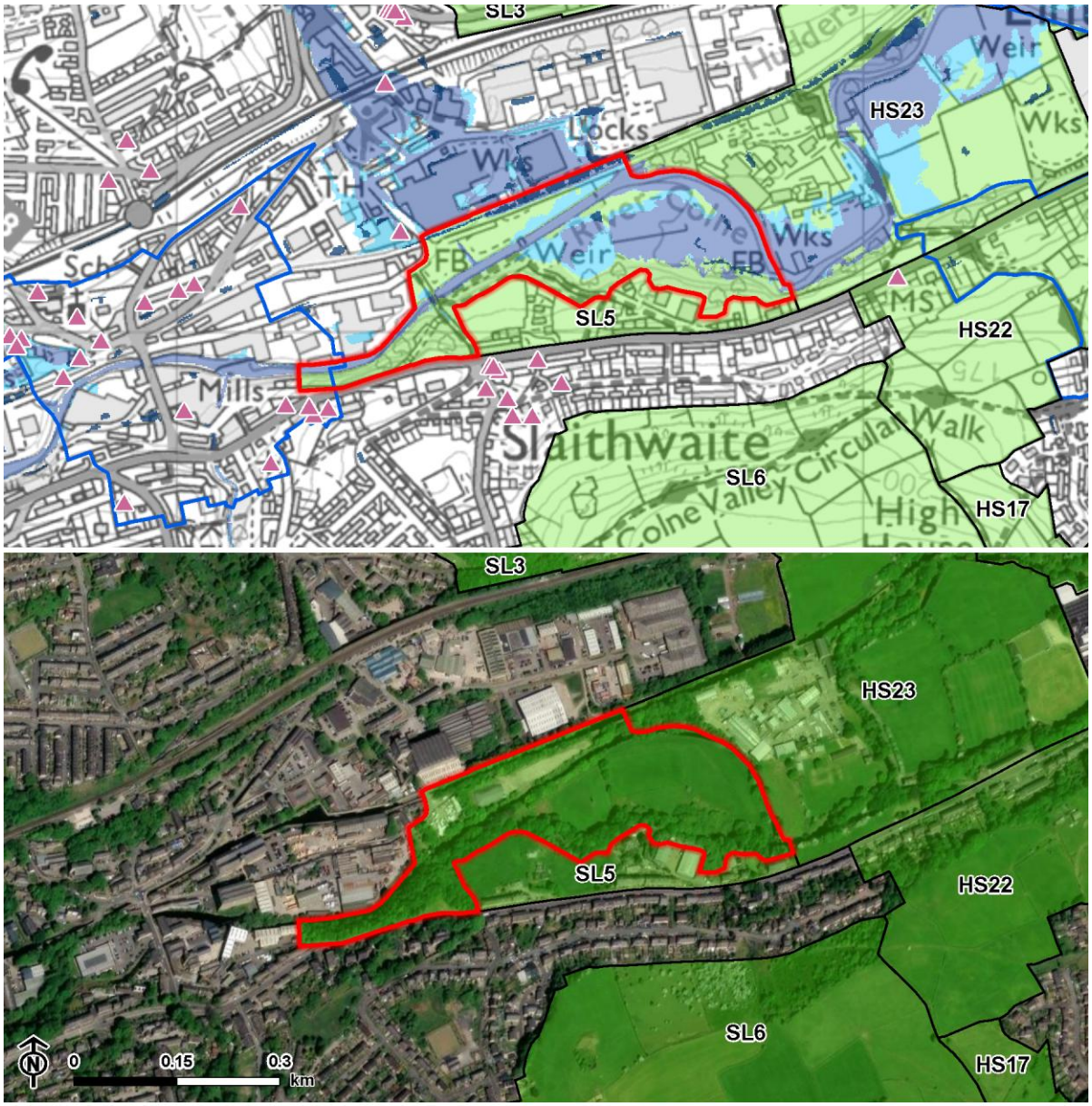
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel does not make a strong contribution to the Green Belt purposes A, B or D and therefore has the potential to be grey belt land. NPPF footnote 7 areas and assets within or connected to the parcel may provide a strong reason for refusing or restricting development within it. Such locations can only be provisionally defined as grey belt land until further relevant and necessary specialist assessment work has been undertaken.

Parcel SL4



NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL4

Contribution of land in Parcel SL4

Parcel SL4 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Moderate	Weak/No	Moderate	Weak/No	Equal	Yes

Parcel SL4 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the east of Slaithwaite and west of Huddersfield and Linthwaite. It includes sports pitches, the Huddersfield Narrow Canal and River Colne, and areas of woodland. It is largely contained by existing urban development. Parcel size: 9ha. There is a combination of features creating a strong boundary between the settlement and the parcel. There is no significant change in landform to create a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. Urbanising development limits perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is near to a large built-up area. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development. The extent of urbanising containment by existing development limits the impact of development in this parcel on adjacent Green belt land.

Parcel SL4

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would not have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The parcel is subject to some urbanising influence and has features that would restrict and contain development, preventing any incongruous impact on the wider countryside.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel forms part of an area which, although it retains rural land uses, is entirely contained by urban edges, limiting the extent to which it can be considered part of the countryside.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would not significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. Surrounding urban containment limits the impact

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	of development in this parcel on adjacent Green belt land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

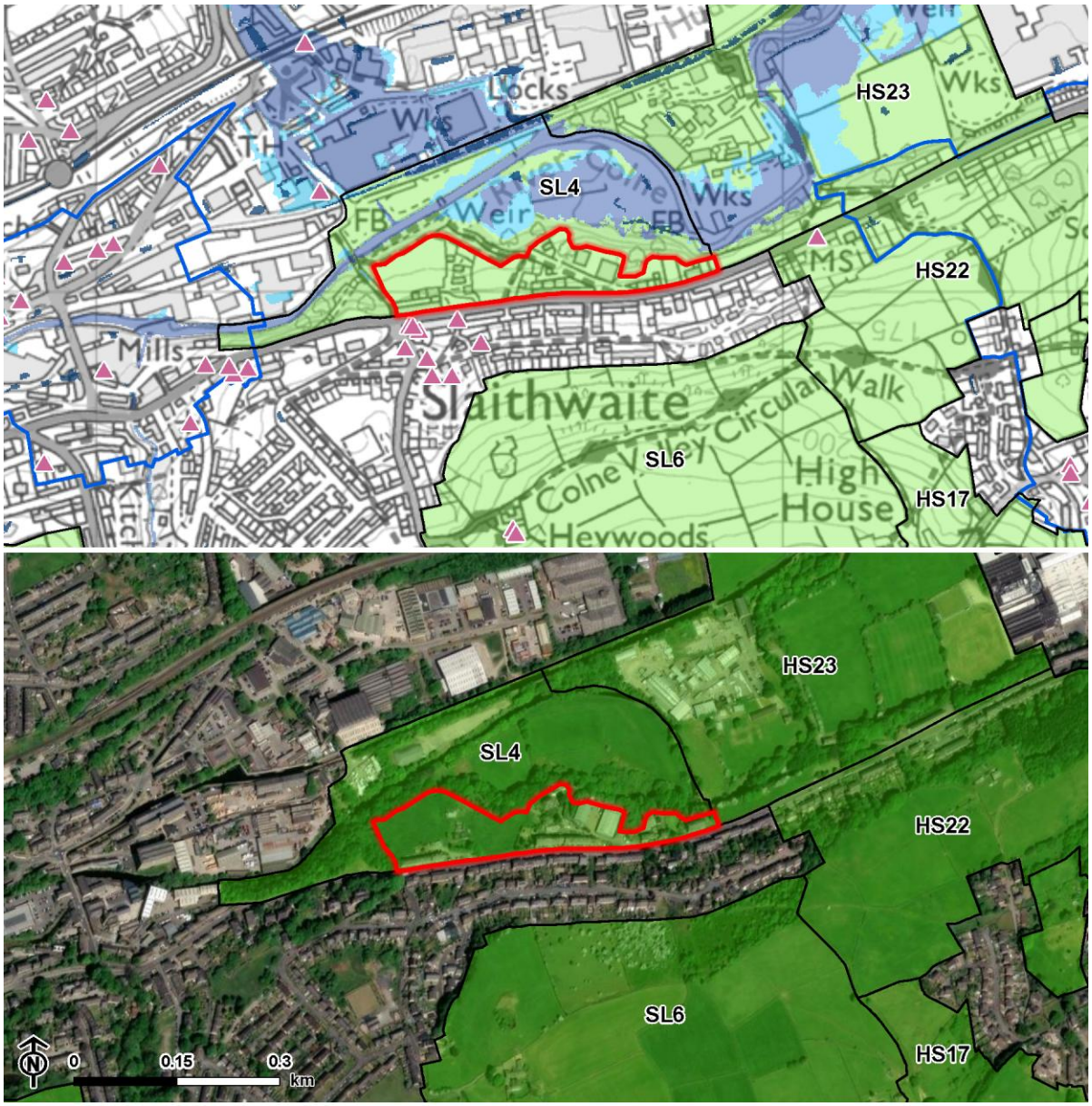
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel does not make a strong contribution to the Green Belt purposes A, B or D and therefore has the potential to be grey belt land. NPPF footnote 7 areas and assets within or connected to the parcel may provide a strong reason for refusing or restricting development within it. Such locations can only be provisionally defined as grey belt land until further relevant and necessary specialist assessment work has been undertaken.

Parcel SL5



NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL5

Contribution of land in Parcel SL5

Parcel SL5 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Moderate	Weak/No	Weak/No	Weak/No	Equal	Yes

Parcel SL5 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the east of Slaithwaite and west of Linthwaite and Huddersfield, north of Manchester Road (A62). It includes residential and commercial buildings and is adjacent to existing urban development with a steep wooded ridgeline and River Colne to the north. Parcel size: 3ha. There is a consistent, permanent boundary feature extending a significant distance. This includes the A62 to the south of the parcel. There is no significant change in landform to create a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. This is due to the proximity to the settlement and the containment of the parcel. There is significant urbanising influence associated with development, land use and activity in the Green Belt. This includes buildings around Spa Lane for recreational purposes. Urbanising development limits perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is near to a large built-up area. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is substantial urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL5

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development. Tree cover on the slope to the northern outer edge as well as the extent of urban containment by existing development would limit the impact of development in this parcel on adjacent Green belt land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would not have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The parcel is subject to urbanising influence and has features that would restrict and contain development, preventing any incongruous impact on the wider countryside.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel has uses associated with the urban area which limit the extent to which it is perceived as being part of the countryside.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is substantial urbanising development in the parcel.

Parcel SL5

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would not significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The outer boundary features and surrounding urban development would limit the impact of development in this parcel on adjacent Green belt land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

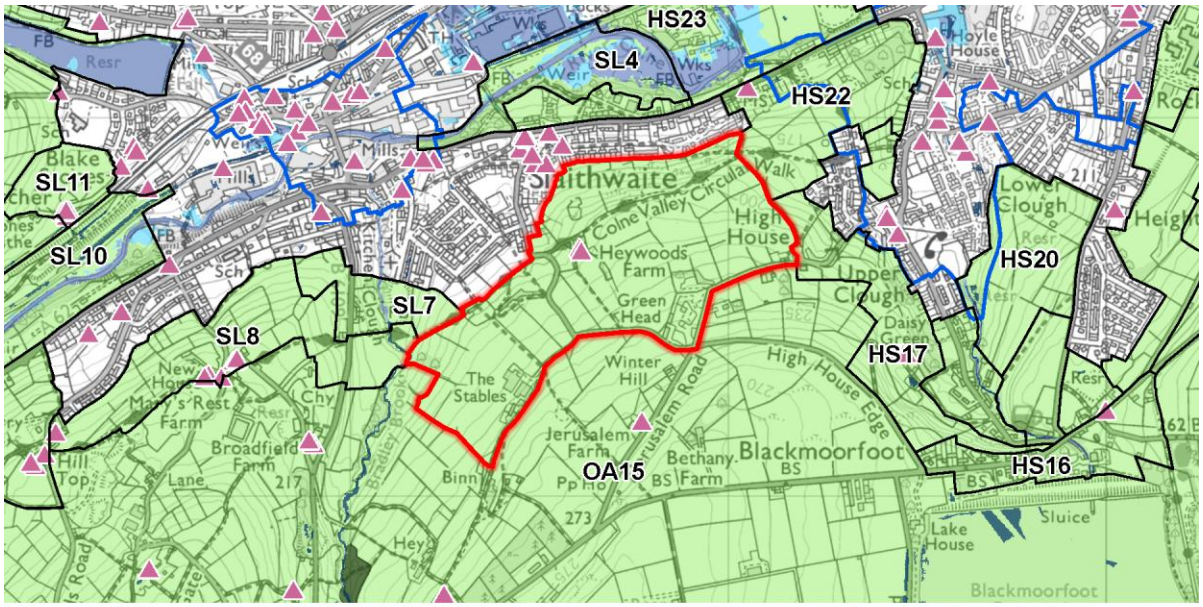
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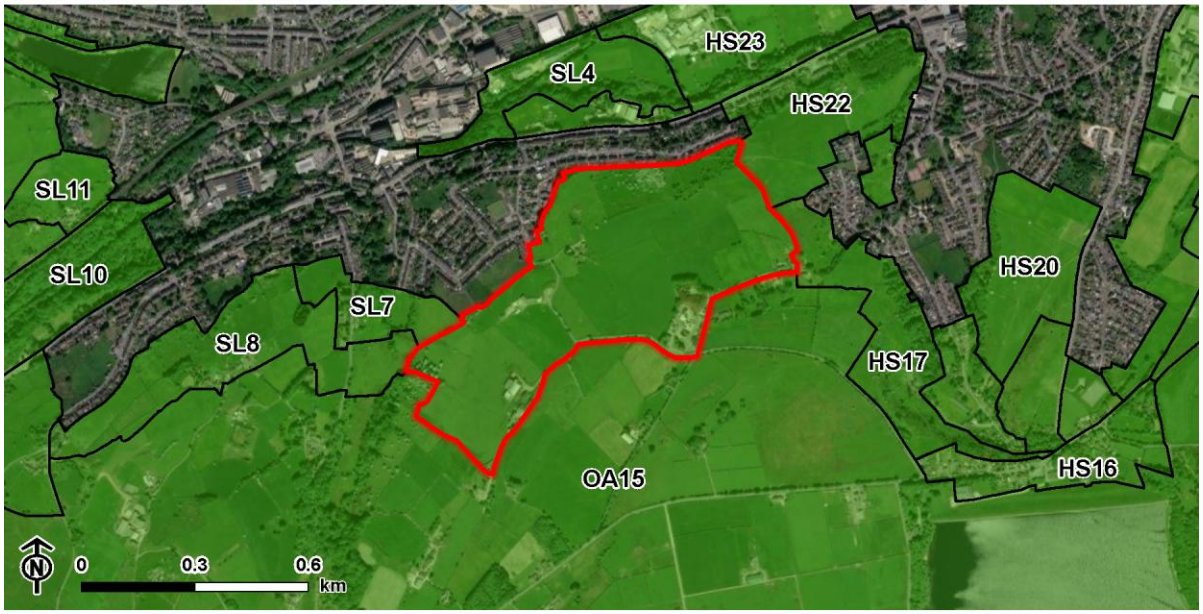
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel does not make a strong contribution to the Green Belt purposes A, B or D and therefore has the potential to be grey belt land. NPPF footnote 7 areas and assets within or connected to the parcel may provide a strong reason for refusing or restricting development within it. Such locations can only be provisionally defined as grey belt land until further relevant and necessary specialist assessment work has been undertaken.

Parcel SL6





Parcel SL6 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL6

Contribution of land in Parcel SL6

Parcel SL6 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL6 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the south-east of Slaithwaite and to the south-west of Linthwaite and Huddersfield. It includes open fields associated with Heywood Farm as well as a recycling centre. The outer boundary to the south is largely formed by Linfit Lane and High House Lane, as well as open field boundaries. Parcel size: 38ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. Although the slope is steep in the north of the parcel, the adjacent urban area lies on a similar slope which minimises the sense of separation. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel which weakens in the southern parts of the parcel due to the distance and landform. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is near to a large built-up area. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL6

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the parcel's landform change and strong relationship with the wider countryside which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences. Also the parcel has only weak outer boundaries, so development within it would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Boundary features and landform change between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel lies in a robust gap between towns. The gap separates Meltham from Huddersfield and includes a number of strong separating features including Meltham Cop, Blackmoorfoot Reservoir and intervening wooded areas.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	The parcel does not form a substantial part of the gap. The rising landform prevents any development in the parcel from impacting the strong separating features elsewhere in the robust gap.
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	Development of land in the parcel would likely have a negligible impact on visual separation between towns.

Parcel SL6

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

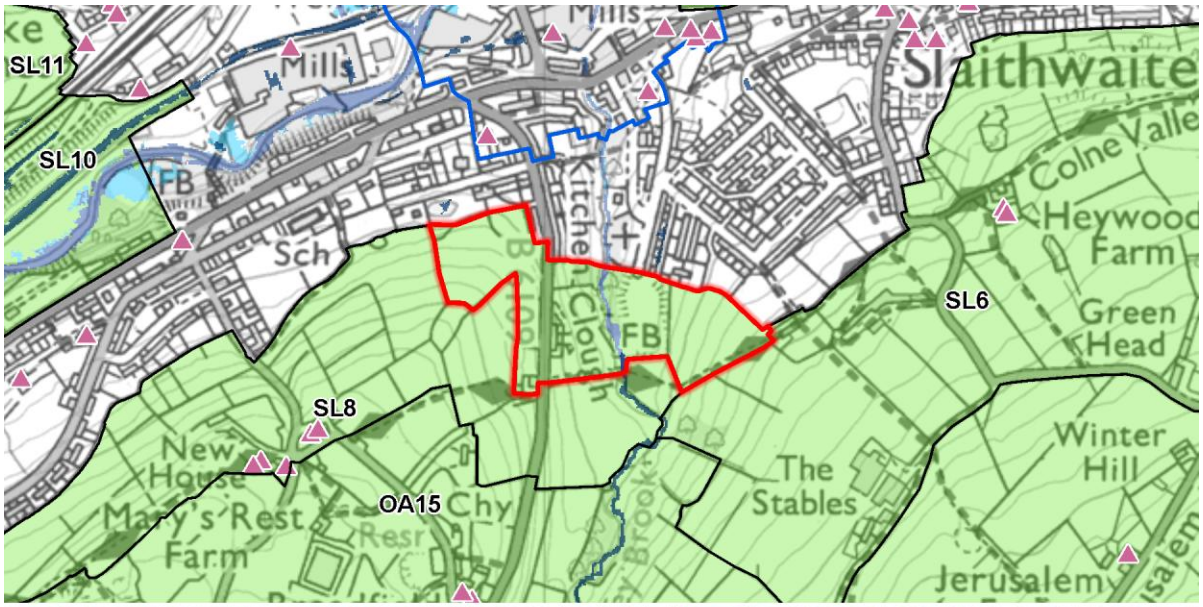
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL7





Parcel SL7 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Contribution of land in Parcel SL7

Parcel SL7 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL7 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the south of Slaithwaite. It includes open fields and several residential properties along Varley Road (B6109). The outer boundaries to the south are largely formed by open field boundaries with some areas of light tree cover. Parcel size: 5ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. This includes shrubs and sparse treelines. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. This is due to the landform's northward slope down to the settlement. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. There is some perception of connectivity with the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. The parcel's outer boundaries are largely formed by weak hedgerow boundaries, so development within it

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The lack of features to restrict and contain development mean that, although the parcel is subject to some urbanising influence, development here would have an incongruous impact.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel lies in a robust gap between towns. The gap separates Meltham from Huddersfield and includes a number of strong separating features including Meltham Cop, Blackmoorfoot Reservoir and intervening wooded areas.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	The parcel does not form a substantial part of the gap. The parcel forms a very small part of the gap as it does not comprise any strong separating features and strong separating features elsewhere in the gap maintain robust separation.
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	Development of land in the parcel would likely have a negligible impact on visual separation between towns.

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.

Parcel SL7

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

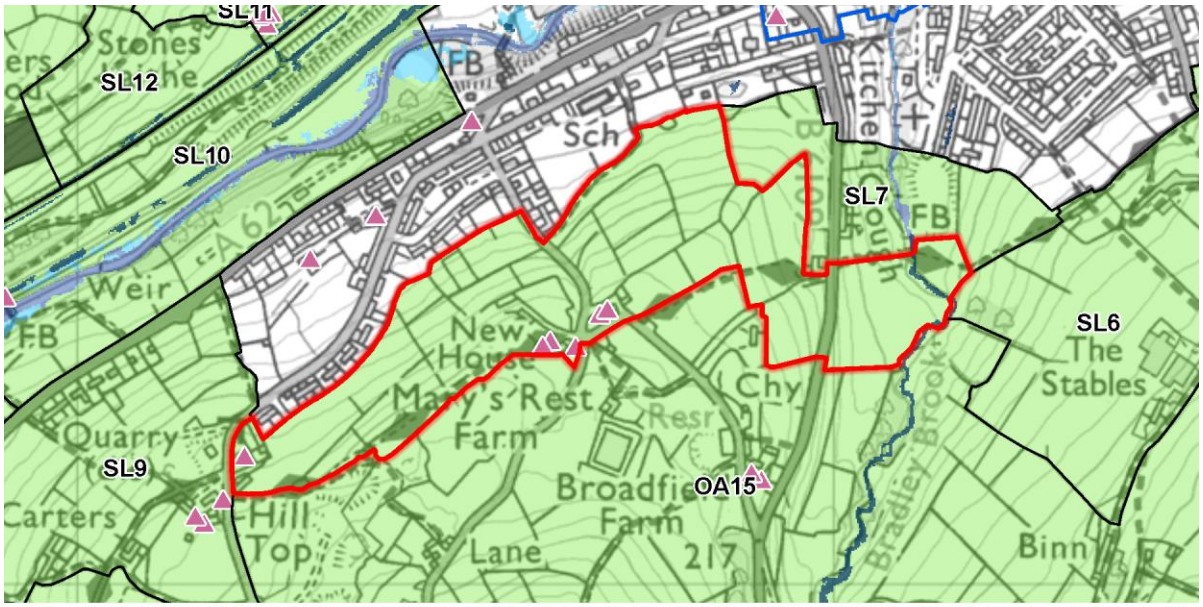
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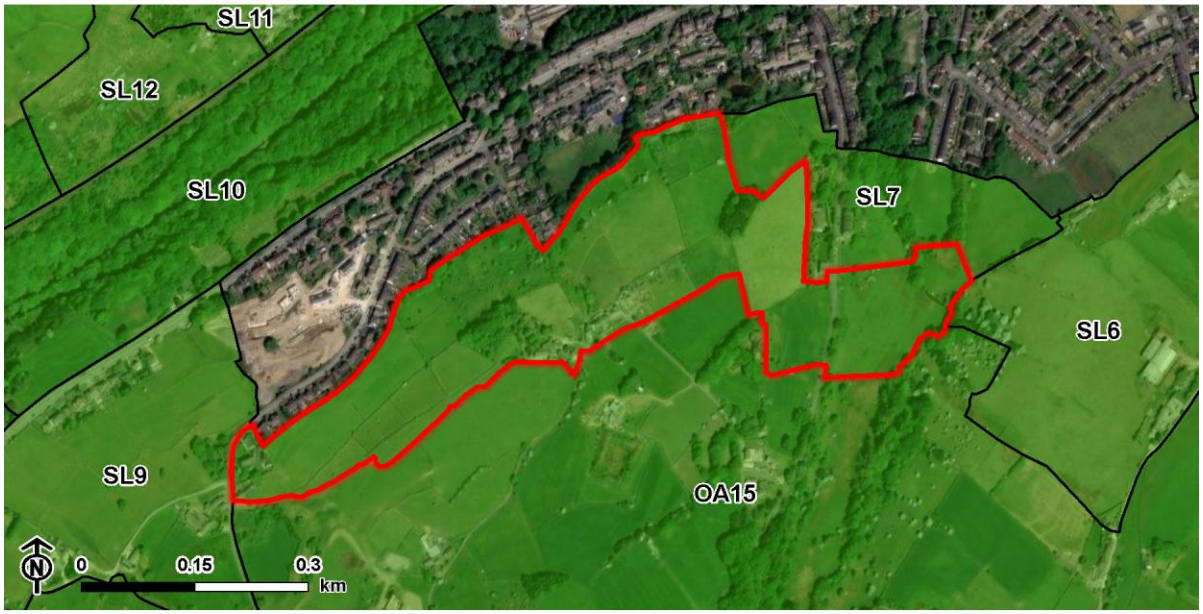
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL8





Parcel SL8 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL8

Contribution of land in Parcel SL8

Parcel SL8 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL8 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the south of Slaithwaite, it includes open fields,with woodland patches and residential properties around Yew Tree Lane. The outer boundaries to the south predominantly comprise stone wall field boundaries. Parcel size: 16ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. Land slopes up steeply from the settlement edge to the north and east. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is some existing development in the parcel associated with residential properties around Yew Tree Lane which is rural in character, and land use also associates the area with the wider countryside. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL8

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the landform change and wide views of the surrounding countryside which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences. Also the parcel does not have consistent strong outer boundaries, so development within it would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Boundary features and landform change between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel lies in a robust gap between towns. The gap separates Meltham from Huddersfield via Slaithwaite and includes a number of strong separating features including Meltham Cop, Blackmoorfoot Reservoir and intervening wooded areas.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	The parcel does not form a substantial part of the gap. The parcel forms a small part of the gap as it does not comprise any strong separating features and strong separating features elsewhere in the gap maintain robust separation.
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	Development of land in the parcel would likely have a negligible impact on visual separation between towns.

Parcel SL8

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

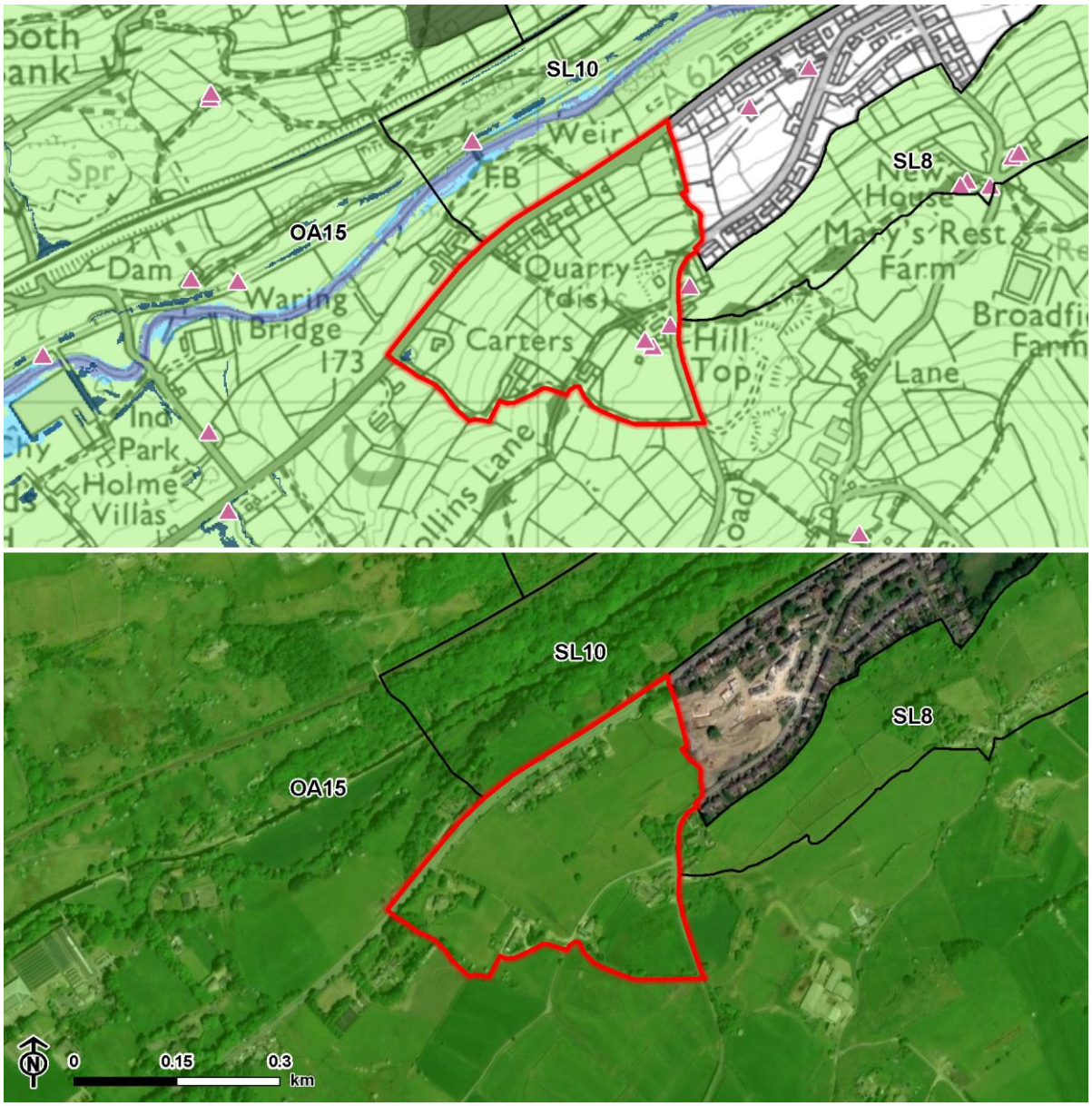
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL9



Parcel SL9 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding

Contribution of land in Parcel SL9

Parcel SL9 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL9 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the south-west of Slaithwaite. It is bound by the A62 Manchester Road to the north-west and Lingards Road to the east. It comprises open fields and residential properties. The outer boundary to the south is largely formed by open field boundaries. Parcel size: 12ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is a weak perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is some urbanising activity in the parcel, but land use also associates the area with the wider countryside. This includes residential dwellings along the A62 Manchester Road. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.

Parcel SL9

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the remaining open land in the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Landform change and the wide ranging views mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.

Parcel SL9

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the remaining open land in the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

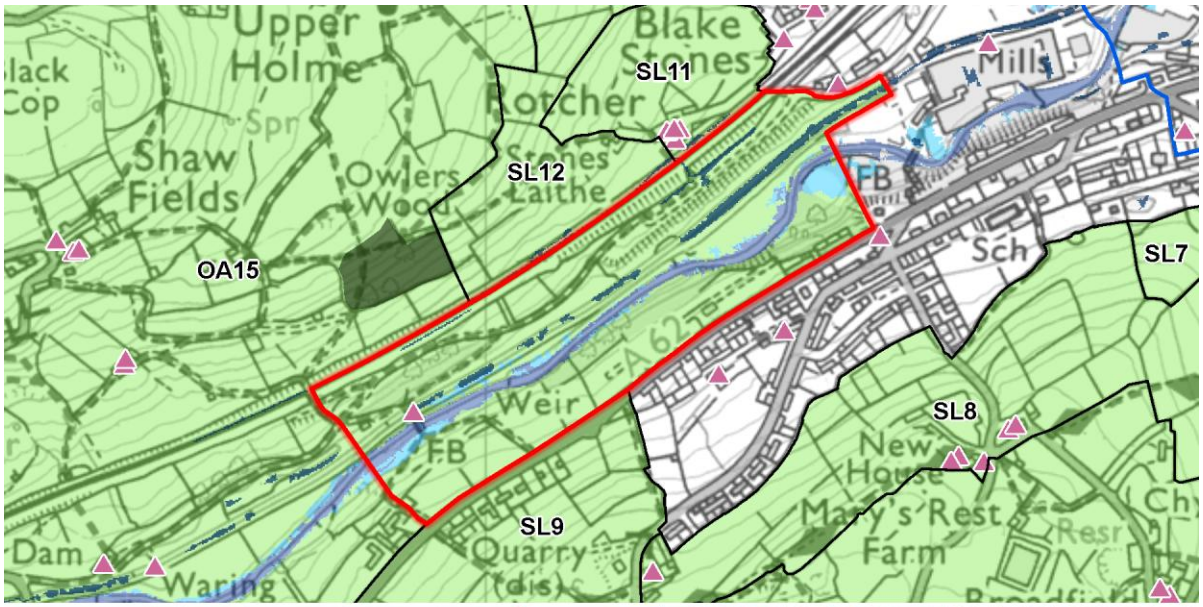
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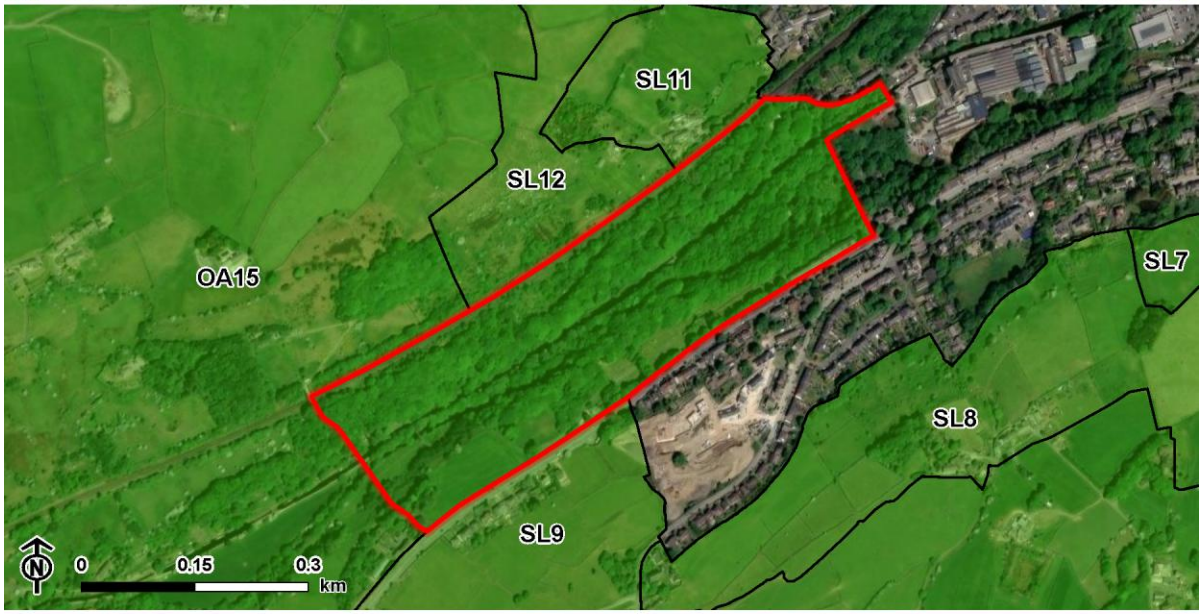
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL10





Parcel SL10 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL10

Contribution of land in Parcel SL10

Parcel SL10 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Very Strong	Weak/No	Very Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL10 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the south-west of Slaithwaite. It includes the River Colne, the canal, the railway line, and Shaw Carr Wood. Parcel size: 16ha.
There is a consistent strong boundary feature between the settlement and the parcel.
There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. The steep topography of the River Colne valley is similar to that of the urban area in the east minimising the sense of separation.
There is a weak perception of urban development outside of the parcel.
There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel.
Natural features limit perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Very Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the strong physical features which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences.

Parcel SL10

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The strong boundary features and landform changes between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Very Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising influences associated with development outside the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. Development in the parcel would be visible from

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	adjacent land in the valley so would have an urbanising influence on neighbouring Green Belt land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

Equal contribution

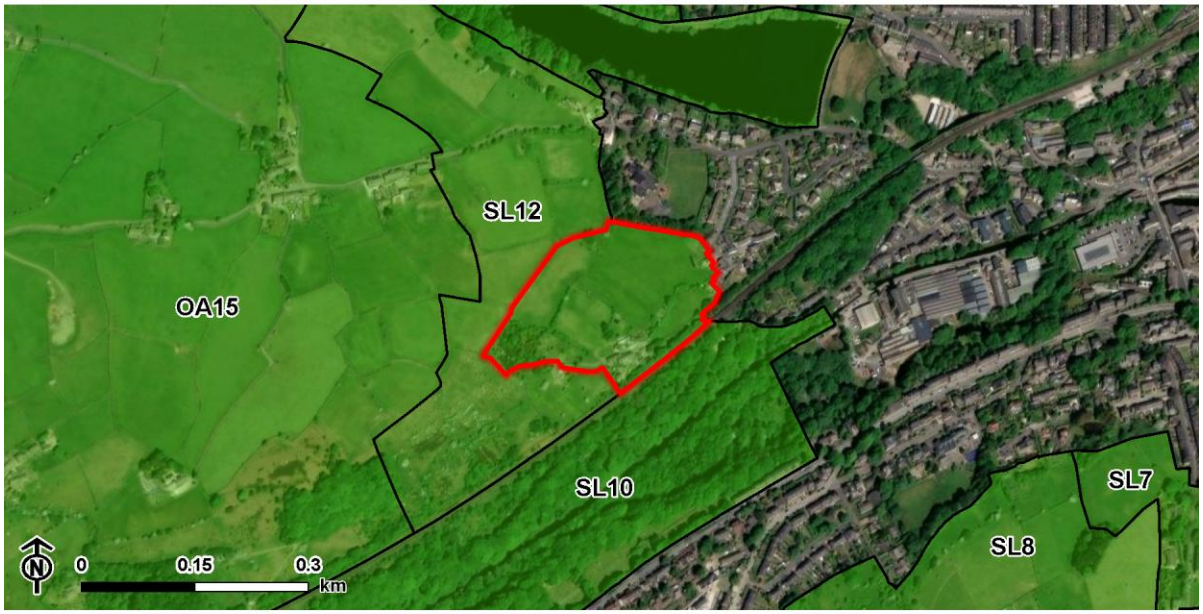
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a very strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL11





Parcel SL11 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Contribution of land in Parcel SL11

Parcel SL11 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL11 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
The land located to the west of Slaithwaite. It is bordered by the railway line to the south and includes sloping argicultural fields associated with Upper Rotcher Farm and Blakestones Farm. Parcel size: 4ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. The landform slopes down towards the south-east. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. There is a cluster of residential properties on Blackstones Road, however, these are rural in character. Natural features limit perception of the wider countryside.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. The parcel has only weak outer boundaries to the north and west, so development within the parcel would in

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The lack of features to restrict and contain development mean that, although the parcel is subject to some urbanising influence, development here would have an incongruous impact.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features to the

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	north and west, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

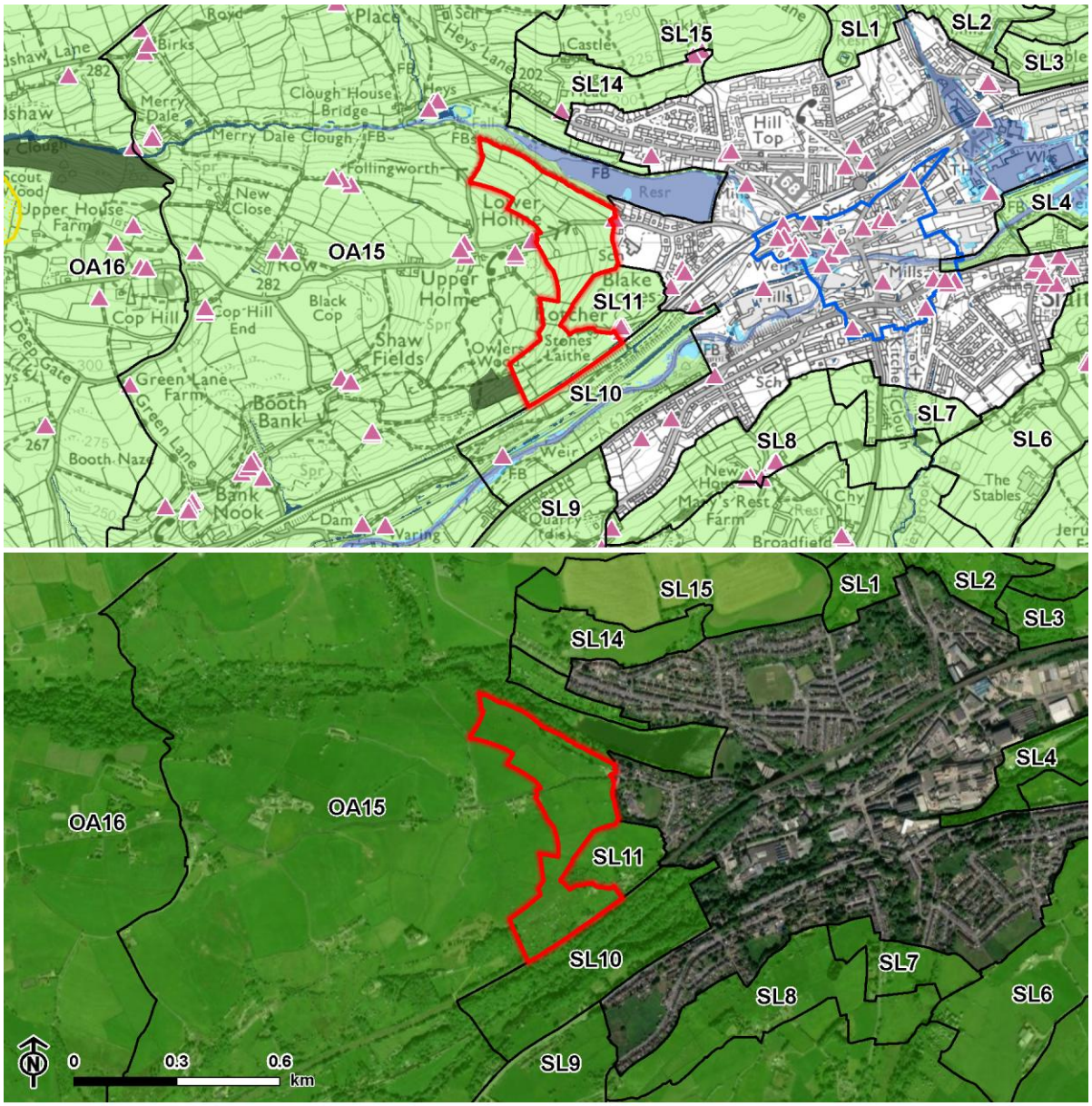
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL12



NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Ancient woodland
- Peaty soil
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Contribution of land in Parcel SL12

Parcel SL12 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL12 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
The land located to the western edge of Slaithwaite. It comprises open fields on steep sloping land. A railway line forms the outer boundary to the south, Slaithwaite Reservoir to the north and open field boundaries to the west. Parcel size: 13ha. A combination of features form a boundary of moderate strength between the settlement and the parcel. This includes the woodland areas and the steep valley sides. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. This becomes more significant where the slope steepens in the north of the parcel, sloping down towards the reservoir, forming a wooded ridgeline. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL12

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the physical features which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Boundary features and landform change between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is free from urbanising development.

Parcel SL12

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features to the west, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

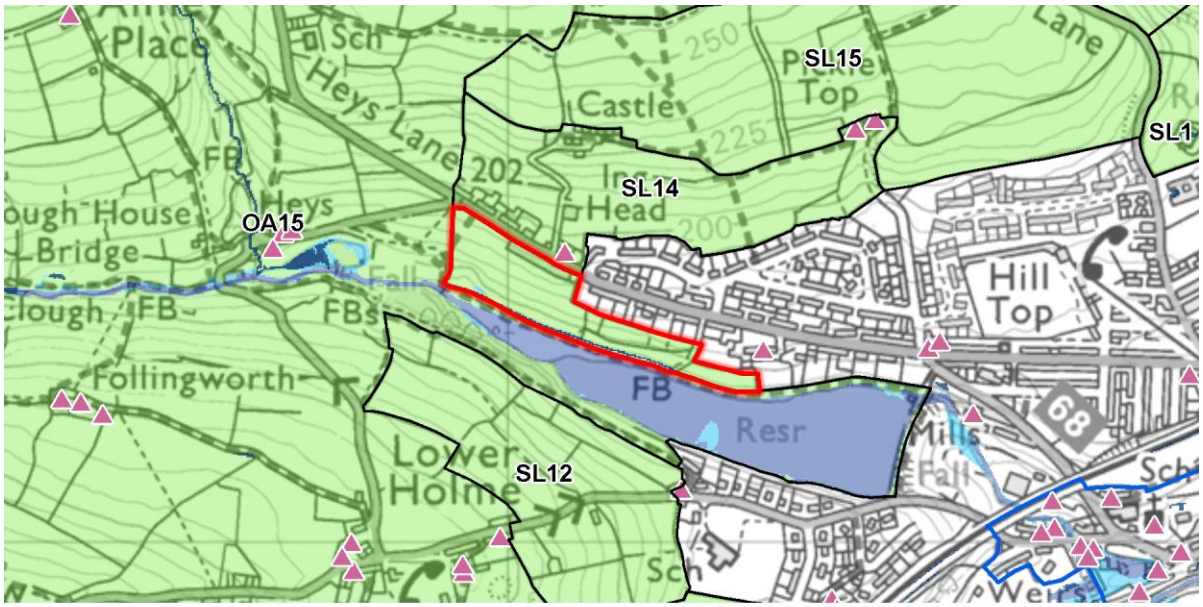
Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL13





Parcel SL13 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL13

Contribution of land in Parcel SL13

Parcel SL13 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Moderate	Weak/No	Moderate	Weak/No	Equal	Yes

Parcel SL13 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the west of Slaithwaite, north of Slaithwaite Reservoir, and south of Longlands Road. It predominantly includes open fields and residential properties. Parcel size: 3ha. A combination of features forms a boundary of moderate strength between the settlement and the parcel. This includes sparse vegetation and sparse tree cover. Although the land is sloping, there is no significant change in landform to create a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel, as the adjacent urban area lies on the same slope. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. Existing development in the Green Belt has some urbanising influence. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development. The woodland and steep slopes to the west and south form a strong outer boundary which would limit the

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would not have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The parcel is already subject to urbanising influence and also, the parcel has features that restricts and contains existing development.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Moderate contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would not significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The woodland, spring and steep slopes form a

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	strong outer boundary which would limit the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

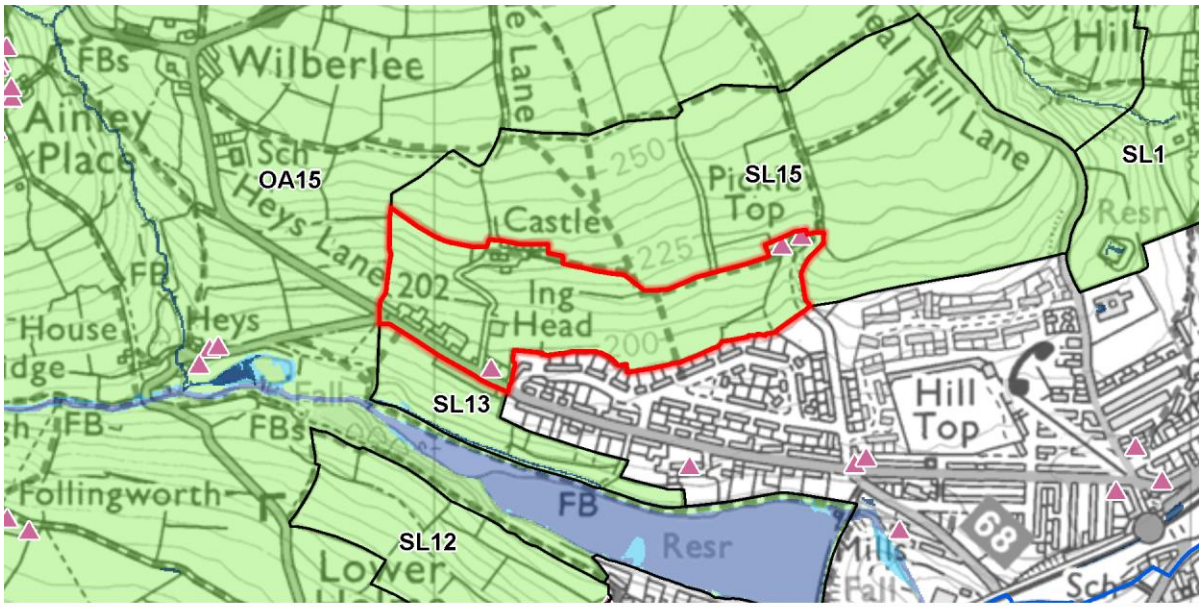
Equal contribution

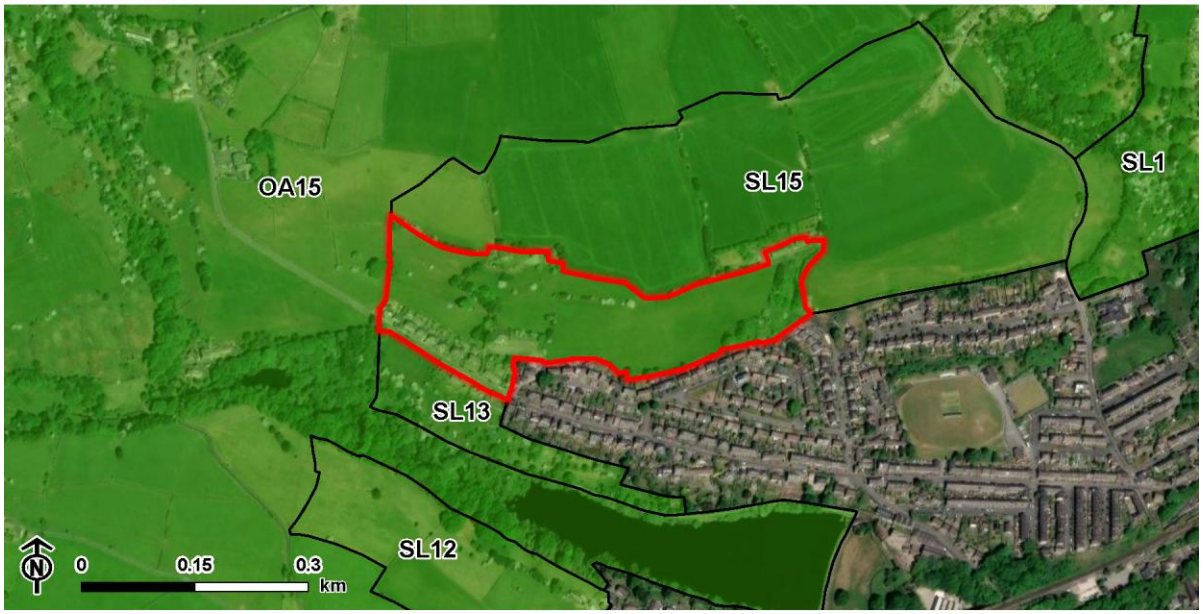
All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel does not make a strong contribution to the Green Belt purposes A, B or D and therefore has the potential to be grey belt land. NPPF footnote 7 areas and assets within or connected to the parcel may provide a strong reason for refusing or restricting development within it. Such locations can only be provisionally defined as grey belt land until further relevant and necessary specialist assessment work has been undertaken.

Parcel SL14





Parcel SL14 | Neighbouring parcel | Green Belt

NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Contribution of land in Parcel SL14

Parcel SL14 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL14 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the north-west of Slaithwaite. It comprises open fields with gappy hedgerow boundaries, and several residential dwellings. Parcel size: 7ha. There are no significant boundary features to separate the parcel from the settlement. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is some existing development in the parcel, but land use also associates the area with the wider countryside. There are several residential properties along Longlands Road and Castle Lane. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. The parcel has only weak outer boundaries to the east, west and north, such that development within the

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	parcel would increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. The lack of features to restrict and contain development mean that, although the parcel is subject to some urbanising influence, development here would have an incongruous impact.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	There is some urbanising development in the parcel.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundaries to the east and

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
	south, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.

Parcel SL15



NPPF Footnote 7 designations

- Listed building
- Flood zone 3
- Flood zone 2
- High risk of surface water flooding
- Conservation area

Parcel SL15

Contribution of land in Parcel SL15

Parcel SL15 Assessment Conclusions

Purpose A	Purpose B	Purpose C	Purpose D	Purpose E	Grey Belt
Strong	Weak/No	Strong	Weak/No	Equal	No

Parcel SL15 Description

Parcel Location, Land Uses and Boundaries
Land located to the northern edge of Slaithwaite, bound by Meal Hill Lane to the east. It comprises of open fields and scrub land. The parcel's northern outer boundary is formed by weak field boundaries. Parcel size: 19ha. Although, in the southeast of the parcel, there are no significant boundary features, in the north, boundary features within the gap between the settlement and the parcel combine to create moderate separation. There is some change in landform which creates a sense of separation between the settlement and the parcel. There is some perception of urban development outside of the parcel. There is no significant urbanising development or activity in the Green Belt affecting this parcel. There is a strong perception of the wider countryside, limiting the impact of any existing urbanising influence.

Purpose A: Checking the unrestricted sprawl of large built-up areas:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is the parcel adjacent or near to a large built-up area?	The parcel is close to a small urban area but also near enough to a large built-up area to contribute to preventing its sprawl. Huddersfield is a town and so is defined as a large built-up area. The parcel has a strong enough relationship with Huddersfield for development here to be associated with it.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.

Parcel SL15

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Are there physical features in reasonable proximity that could restrict and contain development?	There are no physical features in reasonable proximity strong enough to restrict and contain development. Development in the parcel would negate the role of the landform change and the strong view of the wider countryside which currently give the parcel a strong sense of separation from urbanising influences. Also the parcel has only weak outer boundaries, so development within it would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.
Would development form an incongruous pattern in relation to the large built-up area?	Development of land in the parcel would have an incongruous impact on the urban pattern. Boundary features, landform change and distance between the parcel and the urban edge mean that the parcel has a strong sense of separation from the urban area, so development here would be incongruous with the urban pattern.

Purpose B: Preventing neighbouring towns from merging:

Weak/No contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Does the parcel lie in a gap between towns?	The parcel does not lie in a gap between towns that are close enough to be considered neighbouring.
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	N/A
Does the parcel form a substantial, small or very small part of the gap?	N/A
Would development result in loss of visual separation between towns?	N/A

Purpose C: Assisting in safeguarding the countryside from encroachment:

Strong contribution

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
Is land within the parcel countryside?	The parcel is part of the countryside and so contributes to preventing encroachment on it.

Parcel SL15

Assessment Considerations	Assessment
What is the extent of urbanising development in the parcel?	The parcel is predominantly free from urbanising development.
What is the extent of urbanising influence from outside the parcel?	There is some urbanising influence associated with development outside of the parcel.
Would development impact adjacent Green Belt land?	Development in the parcel would significantly increase the urbanising influence on adjacent open land. The parcel has only weak outer boundary features, so development within the parcel would in turn increase the urbanising impact of development on adjacent open land.

Purpose D: Preserving the setting and special character of historic towns:

Weak/No contribution

No settlements in Kirklees are considered to be historic towns to which surrounding Green Belt land contributes special character

Purpose E – Assisting in urban regeneration:

Equal contribution

All Green Belt land plays an equal role in relation to this purpose.

Grey Belt

The parcel makes a strong contribution to Green Belt Purpose A and therefore does not meet the definition of grey belt land.